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ON THE PRESIDENTIAL LEVEL

When President Eisenhower announced that he would go to Europe to confer with several Western governments, prior to his meeting with Nikita Kruschchev, it was, of course, sensational news in Europe.

The average American, however, does not realize how much a visit can complicate matters in European capitals. Although most of us did not think about it at the time, the President's announcement precipated what amounted to a near Cabinet crisis in Rome.

This was caused by the fact that President Eisenhower's itinerary was announced to include visits with President Charles de Gaulle in France, Sir Harold Macmillan in London, and Chancellor Konrad Adenauer, "somewhere along the line."

No mention was made of Italy, and there is actually no need for President Eisenhower to go to Rome. Nevertheless, in diplomacy and international relations, one must be careful not to step on the toes of others. And in announcing that the President would visit Epropc, leaving Italy and Italy's leaders out of the schedule, this was quite a blow to the Italian government.

Therefore, it would seem likely that the leaders of the Italian government, or the Foreign Minister at least, would see Eisenhower on his trip to Europe. Such a simple thing as including a visit with these leaders on his tour could be of major consequence in Italy. And so, the State Department sent Assistant Secretary of State Livingston T. Merchant to Italy to explain things and assure the Italian government that no slight was intended.

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THE SICK DOLLAR

Franz Pick, a currency expert who annually publishes "Pick's Currency Year-Book" says the United States dollar must be de-valued if it is to remain an important unit of international exchange.

The dollar, and some other dependent currencies, are the only monetary units which haven't been officially re-valued in the past twenty-five years, Pick says. During this time, however, the purchasing power of the dollar has declined to less than fifty per cent of what it was twenty years ago.

Pick says that the strength of the dollar can be regained if the price of gold is raised —that is, if the value of the dollar is reduced. He says that there is no alternative to increasing the price of gold in the United States, eventually, and that if the United States government does a good job of it will increase the price of gold one hundred per cent.

If this was done, this would jump the price of gold from thirty-five dollars an ounce to seventy dollars an ounce. Pick blames the unrealistic official rate quoted for the United States dollar, as pertaining to gold, for the loss of between $7000,000,000 and $800,000,000 in U. S. gold holdings. The drain is continuing.

Furthermore, Pick predicts that by the end of this year, the United States' loss of gold will total one and a half billion dollars, and that it will continue, and even accelerate, unless something is done. Pick pointed out that the dollar is steadily becoming "sicker", citing the fact that more than a dozen countries have already discounted it from one quarter to one one-half per ce nt in international dealings.

Other evidences of the shrinking value of the dollar, as outlined by Pick, include the fact that the ratio of gold reserves to the National Debt today is down to 6.9 per cent, from a ratio of 37.1 per cent in 1939. In addition, our gold holdings in 1959 amounted to 19.4 per cent of the national gross product, whereas today they amount to only 4.2 per cent of the national gross product.

This is an additional reason for government thrift and a balanced budget. The free spenders of public funds, and those who seem to ignore the danger of continued unbalanced budgets, should bear this in mind. The threat is inflation, and it is nearer than they think.

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WHAT ARE YOU DOING WITH LIFE?

Every citizen should ask himself, from time to time, where he is headed and exactly what he is doing with his life. We do not pose as one who knows it all, or as a moralizer who can tell anyone how to live his or her life. On the other hand, we are admittedly idealistic enough to feel that the human race was put on the earth for some purpose. And, likewise, we believe that every citizen has an obligation to contribute something as he travels the road of life.

In small towns, large towns, and in rural areas, there are many who spend one hundred per cent of their time seeking pleasure,self-indulgence and self-entertainment. Often, money and a good time are the only goals that amount to much in the lives of many of us.

If you can show nothing for your life, if you have dedicated it to nothing in particular, and if you have not sincerely tried to leave just a little mark on your community, to create just a little good, to help your fellow-man in some small way, then we suspect that the life hereafter will be an empty one. The happiest people we have known, and the richest, are those who have done something for their fellow men in their community. and who have stood for something

We are here for a purpose, and we must answer the test and decide what we will do with our lives. Idl eness, self-indulgense, complete disinterest in our community government, life and the events around us, a refusal to try to be informed on civic and current issues, do not add up to a good contribution to our society.

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Washington Notes

Drops New Fuel Plans

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The cancellation raised speculation in the Pentagon over the future of the multi-billion-dollar program involving the B-70 Valkyrie and the F-108 Rapier.

Veterans' Aid

The Senate Finance Committee has approved legislation to provide liberalized pensions for veterans of World War II and the Korean - conflict, whose disabilities were not connected with their service.

The measures, scaled down somewhat, are the benefits approved by the House of Representatives on June 15.

Employment Record

More Americans were at work last month than at any time in the nation's history.

The Labor Department has revealed that in mid - July employment stood at 67,594,000, an increase of 252,000 over June, when the previous record was set, and 2,415,00 more than year ago.

Agenda For Talks

Now that President Eisenhower has agreed to talk to Premier Nikita S. Khrushcev, the hunt is on for specific proposals to talk about.

So far the search has produced nothing new or startling, but the focus of attention inside the Government is on a review of all policies looking to a limitation of armaments and the limitation or suspension of nuclear tests.

Scores Use of G.I.'s

Senator Paul H. Douglas D.,Ill.) has said that nearly 5,000 service men were being used as "grocery store clerks" in military commissary stores.

"We are losing the equivalent of two full combat regiments by having enlisted personnel sell bread, meat and canned goods," Douglas claims. He also said that "A farce has been made of the law" governing such establishments inside the United States.

Gas Tax Rite

The House Ways and Means Committee has tried and failed again to break an impasse over financing construction of the 41,000, mile interstate highway system.

Various formulas were rejected at a closed session, but the ballyhoing showed rising support for some increase in the Federal gasoline tax.

Inflation Easing?

The Administration believes the battle against inflation is being won.

This confidence, which is shared by most of the Administration's leading economists, was expressed through the Cabinet Committee on Price Stability for Economic Growth.

President Eisenhower created the Committee last January, as a sort of Economic Security Counc'l

Stevenson Hailed

Gov. David L. Lawrence, of Pennsylvania has expressed the view that Adlai E. Stevenson was the ablest man in either party to fill the office of President. He said Mr .Stevenson could not be counted out of the running for 1960.

Governor Lawrence, who is expected to lead the second largest delegation to the Democratic National Convention next year, indicated that he would like to be for Mr. Stevenson. Bue he refused to say whether the seventy-four-member Pennsylvania delegation would be committed in advance to the deafeated standard - bearer of 1952 and 1956.

A Forthright View

The most efficient mediation board in history is a determined mother with a peach switch. —Brunswick, Ga., Pilot.

McClellan prefers new House labor bill.

Humphrey backers challenge Kennedy.

Farm Housing Loans Available Under New Regulations

The Farmers Home Administration, under provisions in Title V of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, makes farm housing loans available to eligible farm owners, the agency's County Supervisor, Hunter P .Evans, said.

Loans for periods up to 33 years at 4 per cent interest are made to farmers who are otherwise unable to finance needed housing and other building improvements, for themselves and their tenants.

Farm housing loans may be used to construct, improve, alter, replace, or repair farm homes or farm service buildings, or provide water for farmstead and home. In addition to these funds are available for modernization such as rooms, utility rooms, ens, and other improvements as well as remodeling farm dwellings.

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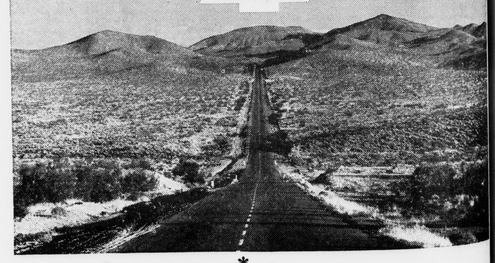

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Evergreen

Evergreen, Aug. 25.- A number from here attended the Training Union meeting at Liberty Church last Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Hodges are the proud parents of a son, born at Hospital in Lynchburg last week.

A number from here went on a fishing party last week.

Mrs. Thomas E. Harvey and baby and Miss Wanda Kay LeGrand, of Richmond spent part of last week with A. A. LeGrand.

Mr. and Mrs. Vester Garrett, of Lynchburg were the luncheon guests of Mr .and Mrs. S. R. Paulette on Sunday.

Luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Z. V. Harvey Sunday were Mrs. Ella Jennings, and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Richardson, of Pamplin.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul LaPage and sons, of Missouri, are visiting relatives here and at Appomattox.

Mr. and Mrs. James Womack and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Z. V. Harvey motored to Buggs Island on Saturday for the day, and attended an insurance event.

Nancy Brown, of Danville, is spending some time with Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Wooldridge.

Mr. E. T. Bruce spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs . Eva Snowden, of Port Royal, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Baker, and sons, Steve and Gary, Jimmie Womack and Richard and Donald Hamilton motored to Mills Mountain and Lakeside last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis O. Bryant, and son were luncheon guests of Mrs. Rachel McFadden and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Garrett and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Paulette and family motored to Luray Caverns Sunday.

Metallic Maid?

London.- Russia has launched a new secret weapon — the universal kitchen machine.

It was aimed at the United States, in an English - language broadcast by Moscow radio.

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Dog Saves Child

Hays, Kan.- Tina, a 6-pound toy Manchester, is the heroine of Hays.

The dog leaped in front of a child recently and took the strike of a rattlesnake. Tina has a badly swollen head, but she'll recover from the bite.

Puppy Love

Los Angeles.- Mrs. Mary Lieblich 49, was awarded custody of the family dachshund at a pre-divorce hearing recently. But her salesman husband, Ernest,45, was granted visitation rights.

the cows, but combining it with low-grade roughages available will cut the wintering bill. Corn silage is often used where there is only a limited amount of land to produce feed. Corn silage will produce more feed per acre than anything else.

A beef cow can turn any type of roughage into profit. Most says to have cows fat in the fall and moderately thin in the spring. County agents can give help in figuring out wintering rations.

the farm during the regular course of operation? What feed can be produced the most economically from the standpoint of land and machinery required? What feeds can be fed the most economically from the standpoint of labor?

The amount of feed needed will depend on the weight of the cows. Cows will eat an average of 20 pounds of hay, or its equivalent, per 1,000 pounds of weight per day during the winter. Usually the good cattleman will start feeding lightly in the fall and gradually increase the feed toward calving time. After the calves are on the ground, the cows will be fed heavier toward spring.

At the Middleburg Forage Research Station, it has been found that cows full-fed on alfalfa hay and corn silage produce calves no better than those cows wintered on three-fourts of the identical ration.

A cow getting 75 per cent of her maximum intake has done just as well from the standpoint of calf production as the cow getting all she will eat of this high-grade feed.

Although alfalfa hay and corn silage are the best feed for cows, the beef cow herd must be integrated into the feed-production program of the farm. If the afrm produces, in the normal course of operation, some poor-grade roughage, then this roughage should be used for the beef cows. The beef cow herd, for instance, can be wintered satisfactorily on a ration of two-thirds corn fodder and cereal straw, and one-third alfalfa hay. They can be wintered very successfully on mixed hay, and this is probably most commonly fed in Virginia.

Straight legume hay is good for

Hixburg

Hixburg, Aug. 24.- At the home of Mrs. Eddie Dickerson, six miles from Pamplim, in Prince Edward County, the Pamplin Home Demonstration Club assembled on Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. H. M. Marshall had the devotional.

Noticeably absent was Mrs. Frank Irving, who was too busy canning Brunswick Stew to attend.

Mrs. Jim Williams, president, discussed the making of pickles. Cucumber and peach pickles were stressed. Recipes were exchanged. Also, a sheet of recipes could be had.

Mrs. Williams reminded the members that their club would have a booth at the Farmville Five-County Fair, which will be held from September 14-19.

The club has chosen exhibits in sewing skills for its booth. Also, the club will sponsor beauty contestants. Letters will be written asking Anne and Luella Martin and Estelle Covington to enter for the club. This list is not complete, as other names may be added.

The young daughters of Mrs. Dickerson participated in preparing the refreshments. They enjoyed turning the handle of the big freezer, packed around with ice and salt. That made perfect peach ice cream. Besides, they helped with the making of marble cake.

In September, Mrs. Walter Payne will be hostess to the club, which will feature "Better Home Lighting."

Mr. W. R. Brightwell underwent eye surgery in Richmond on Tuesday. He is reported to be getting along nicely.

His daughter, Mrs. Willard Ligon, of Vicksburg, Miss., had been visiting her father for ten days. She accompanied him to Richmond on Monday.

Mrs. Lillian Cary, of Richmond, is spending this week with her sister, Mrs. Jeter Ligon. Early in September, Mrs. Ligon will leave for El Paso, Texas, where she will be the guest of her son, Lt. Col. Roy Ligon.

On Thursday, the Rev. W. M. Black and family went for a stay in Mrs. Black's ancestral home, the old Bowles Place, near Richmond.

Hamner Harwood, of Appomattox, was the guest of her cousins, Janet and Jane Hix, from Wednesday until Friday.

On Thursday, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Carson motored to Newport News to visit Miss Mary Le Pope, who was maid of honor at the Carson marriage.

Mrs. Mae Gilliam Cleland, who has been the guest of the Eugene Searses, has returned to Richmond. During her stay, she motored to Lynchburg to see Mrs. Eugie Gilliam.

Mr. Agee Glover was taken to Virginia Baptist Hospital, Lynchburg for examination on Wednesday. When he came home Saturday, he said he was feeling all right.

Next Sunday, Aug. 30, right after Sunday School, the Walker's Presbyterian Church people and friends will go to Holliday Lake and have a picnic dinner .

Will Crumplin, assistant pastor at Walker's Presbyterian Church, will leave on September 1, for a vacation with his widowed mother, in St. Petersburg, Florida. He will return to the Theological Seminary in Richmond on September 20.

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We are sorry to hear that Mr. Thomas Phelps got a barn burned down, full of hay, and a horse killed by lightning Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. W. Clarke Moore and daughter, Mrs. James D. Marshall attended the Cheatham and Nuckols wedding at Spout Spring Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Stratton and son, Eddie spent Thursday and Friday at Virginia Beach.

Mrs. O. W. Martin Jr. and Mrs. Hubbard Moore are attending the Mission Study Course at R. M. C. this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Martin and son, Bently, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Martin and Gaynelle spent the week-end at Virginia Beach.

Mrs. Lula Martin spent the week with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard Moore.

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